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its...the context in which that bill exists, it treated like the other 30, and we know that. And I think the Banking Committee should have behaved differently, that's my opinion. What I wish that we would do, at this time, is vote to bring the bill to the floor. We need to discuss these issues, and we need the opportunity to have the discussion in a more relaxed atmosphere than can occur under these circumstances. There is so much that needs to be said, so much that needs to be elaborated on, so much in the way of discourse by one person, perhaps, and conversation between us on the other hand, and that cannot occur under these circumstances. This session does not create a record of which everybody can be proud, and maybe I'm more sensitive to other people's suffering than my I cannot say that I'm so noble I would rather colleagues. suffer wrong than to do wrong, but I can avoid having to suffer wrong, myself, and avoid doing wrong to others. I wonder what this Legislature would be were I not here? Despite the numerous issues that I lose, there still is something that you all will learn as the result of my being here and being willing to speak as I do that you would not otherwise know. I will sensitize you all to some things that you ought to be sensitive to, and you should have been sensitive to before you got here. But, see, I understand where you all come from, the context out of which you came, and the general attitude in this society. So I work hard, and I don't quit, I don't burn out. I come back session after session and I do it time after time after time. And there are people out there in the public who take me for granted ...

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ... sure that I'm going to deal with certain issues. People on this floor are so sure that I'll deal with certain issues that they will sit back and say nothing, and hope that I can carry the day. But the fact that they may not stand up is not going to stop me on issues such as this from trying to persuade you to do that which we, as a Legislature, ought to do. This is one of those learning issues, and we ought to bring it to the floor so that we can deal with it and related aspects of it in the way that we should. Mr. President, I will ask for a roll call vote when we're all here.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Lynch and Senator Cudaback, the